

DERRY TOWNSHIP REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING

The Derry Township Board of Supervisors held its Regular Monthly Meeting, Tuesday, July 6, 2021, at 5:30 p.m., Township Municipal Building, 73 Reserve Lane, Lewistown.

Present:	Vice-Chairman	Donald E. Warntz, II
	Supervisor	John T. Sipe
	Manager	Kelly J. Shutes
	Roadmaster	Justin T. Allen
	Attorney	Timothy Searer

D. Warntz called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m. R. Napikoski was not present.

J. Sipe made a motion to approve the Minutes of the Monday, June 21, 2021, Special Workshop Meeting and the Monday, June 21, 2021, Mid-Month Township Meeting. D. Warntz seconded the motion. Motion carried 2 - 0.

SOLICITOR:

Atty. Searer submitted his July 6th report.

Discussion was held on the burned-out structures on Woodland Ave. that need demolished. Contracts have been signed by the owners of 609 and 611 Woodland Ave. with G & R Excavating and Demolition, Inc. to demolish their properties. The owner of 613 and 615 Woodland Ave. contacted the office and has no interest in paying to demolish his properties. J. Sipe made a motion to direct the Zoning Officer to proceed with enforcement of the Notice to Correct for 613 and 615 Woodland Ave. (a duplex home) and to contract with G & R Excavating and Demolition, Inc., to demolish the duplex in the amount of \$18,200.00 and to do so concurrently with the demolition of 609 and 611 Woodland Ave. (a duplex) that has been contracted by the owners of these properties. D. Warntz seconded the motion. Motion carried 2 - 0.

Discussion held regarding Zoning and Building Code violations at Shy Bear Brewery. After review by legal counsel the notices of violations from the Zoning Officer and Building Code officials should be served this week.

Tom White, Mifflin Co. School District Director of Buildings and Grounds, attended the meeting to discuss approval of the MCSD High School Solar Panel Land Development Plan. He reported that the NPDES permit will soon be issued, and DEP has completed their initial technical review of the stormwater management design (E & S plan) for the project and did not have any significant comments. A separate NPDES permit is under review regarding the HQ-CFW designation of Kish Creek. All these permits will be included with the land development plan. Mr. White also indicated that the MCSD is agreeable to posting a ten (10) year maintenance bond with Derry Township to assure any stormwater issues are addressed if they arise. The MCSD presently has a twenty (20) year maintenance agreement with McClure Co. for the entire project. Kelly noted that she spoke with Karl Shellenberger, Township Engineer, earlier today and he still is concerned about the steep slopes at the site but does find the ten-year bond agreeable for addressing his concerns.

ROAD REPORT:

The Roadmaster gave his report for June. The Road Dept. has been filling potholes on various streets. A stormwater pipe will be installed in Yeagertown, but the pipe is on backorder. The truck that was ordered in January has not been delivered to date. The Mifflin Co. School District has requested repairs to the entry to the alley next to the Admin. Building off Maple Ave. so they can complete an ADA sidewalk project. The estimated cost is \$3,774.00 with work to be done by G. O. Hawbaker. They offered to pay half the costs. J. Sipe made a motion to approve MCSD to pave the entrance to the alley off Maple Ave. and to contribute \$1,887.00 to the cost. D. Warntz seconded the motion. Motion carried 2 - 0.

The Roadmaster is considering a paving project being done by the Road Dept. His rough estimate would be \$35,000 for the alleys in Yeagertown and at the same time the rehabilitation of Ninth Ave. could be completed by the Road Dept. as well. Kelly will look at the 2021 budget to see if there are enough funds available.

VISITORS: Tom White, MCSD Director of Buildings and Grounds

PUBLIC COMMENT: None

OLD BUSINESS:

The Township Engineer has recommended to proceed with the Nolan Drive Bridge Project to be partially funded by the Mifflin County Bridge Replacement and Rehabilitation Program. Buchart Horn's structural engineering department had recommended a full replacement that would lift the weight restrictions on the bridge. Due to the high expense, Karl said that the repairs will put the bridge in use for many more years. The weight restrictions are not a problem for the traffic that travels it now. The weight restriction is currently 40 Tons for combination trucks or 32 Tons for others.

Discussion held on use of a PLGIT account to hold the ARPA-Covid 19 funds. Kelly will speak with the CPA firm hired to make recommendations on the grant uses.

Brad Remig, PFM, asked if the Township does a bond re-issue, would we want a lump sum up front payment or do we wish to spread the savings across the life of the new issue. The Board agreed it was best to lower the payments.

Ann Yost, YSM, would like to schedule a kick-off meeting for the Kish Park Master Plan Study Committee. Suggested members are, John Pannizzo, Bill Gomes, John McCullough and Darla Gray. A list of potential members will be compiled, and a date set for the meeting.

NEW BUSINESS:

D. Warntz made a motion to send a Letter of Support for a bill advanced in the PA Senate to allow local police departments the use of radar for speed control purposes. J. Sipe seconded the motion. Motion carried 2 - 0.

J. Sipe made a motion to approve the donation of ten (10) Mini golf passes to the Burnham Fire Co. Penny Bazaar. D. Warntz seconded the motion. Motion carried 2 - 0.

J. Sipe made a motion to approve the donation of twenty (20) Mini golf passes to the Mifflin Co. Middle School PBIS program. D. Warntz seconded the motion. Motion carried 2 – 0.

FYI

An amendment was made to the Sunshine Law that requires all government agencies in Pennsylvania to post their agendas at least 24 hours in advance of their public meetings. The law goes into effect 60 days from date of passage.

Derry Township received remittance advice that \$382,094.96 (ARPA-Covid 19 Fund) will be deposited into its General Fund on July 7, 2021.

J. Sipe made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 6:30 p.m. D. Warntz seconded the motion. Motion carried 2 – 0.

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Kelly J. Shutes,
Township Manager